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Reports from Serampur of the continued spread of a virulent type of cholera are somewhat alarming. Numerous fatal cases are reported, the majority of the victims not living for more than 12 hours after the first attack. The disease is of the most fatal type. The street drains are almost choked with undesirable accumulations, while the roads are generally in an extremely bad condition.

Serampur is situated about 13 miles down the Hooghly from Calcutta and contains, perhaps, 50,000 people, most all of whom are natives.

Cholera cases are increasing in Lucknow, and one European died September 22.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Cholera at Yokohama—Measures to prevent spread of cholera—Water supply, good.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, October 3:

Week ended September 28. Bills of health were issued to 5 steamships, having an aggregate personnel of 614 members of crews and 767 passengers. Two of the passengers were bound to Puget Sound ports and one each to Manila, New York, and San Francisco via Honolulu.

The steamship *Indrawadi*, from this port to New York, having been at plague ports, was fumigated while empty here to destroy vermin.

To the present time there have been only 25 cases of cholera at Yokohama. They have been connected with the cargo handlers of vessels from infected ports.

The authorities are using strenuous measures to prevent an epidemic. The disease has apparently spent its force in the ports to the west of Yokohama. The water supply here is not contaminated. The water supply of this city comes from the mountains 30 miles away and so far as I have heard has never been infected with cholera.

Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Nippon Maru* recommended, October 2, for rejection: For Honolulu, 2. Advised to wait, 7. Of these rejections all were for trachoma.

Report from Kobe—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Exportation of certain foodstuffs suspended—Cholera and plague at Osaka—Summary of cholera at Kobe.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, September 25:

Week ended September 21. Five vessels, 472 members of crews and 338 steerage passengers, were inspected. Two hundred and forty-eight steerage passengers were bathed and their effects disinfected. Commencing with the steerage passengers of the steamship *Tremont*, 80 were held 5 days under observation here and inspected each day prior to embarkation. The number of pieces of baggage disinfected was 525. Manifests were viséed for 18,793 pieces of freight, while